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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
Odile Aubrun-SONNEVILLE, et al. : EXAMINER: A. BERMAN
SERIAL NO: 09/903,606 :
FILED: JULY 13, 2001 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1617
FOR: WATER-IN-OIL EMULSION AND
ITS USE AS A COSMETIC

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 14, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

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1. (Twice Amended) A physiologically acceptable composition, comprising:
an aqueous phase dispersed in an oily phase, and an oligomeric or polymeric emulsifier comprising i) a polyolefinic apolar component comprising at least 40 carbon atoms and ii) at least one polar component, wherein said oily phase comprises at least one hydrocarbon oil and said at least one hydrocarbon oil is present in an amount of at least 40% by weight relative to the total weight of the oily phase.

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